CHAPTER 267

EDUCATION - PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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AN ACT

CONCERNING MODIFICATIONS TO SCHOOL ACCOUNTABILITY REPORTS, AND MAKING AN APPROPRIATION THEREFOR.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:

SECTION 1. 22-7-605, Colorado Revised Statutes, is REPEALED AND REENACTED, WITH AMENDMENTS, to read:

22-7-605. School accountability reports - format. (1) (a) It is the intent of the general assembly that:

- (I) THE SCHOOL ACCOUNTABILITY REPORTS BE PRIMARILY A SOURCE OF INFORMATION ABOUT A PUBLIC SCHOOL FOR PARENTS AND THAT THE INFORMATION PROVIDED AND LANGUAGE USED SHOULD BE EASILY UNDERSTOOD BY PARENTS;
- (II) The school accountability reports should also be the primary reporting tool for parents regarding the federal "No Child Left Behind Act of 2001", $20\,U.S.C.\,6301$ et seq., and any state reporting requirements so that parents have a single, easy-to-understand report that informs them about the public school.
- (b) Starting in the academic year 2000-01, and for each academic year thereafter, the department shall issue a school accountability report for each public school in the state. The accountability report shall be available online through the department's website. Schools shall have a limited number of printed copies of the accountability report, as determined by the school and requested of the department by September 15 of the year in which the accountability report is issued, available for parents and the public. The report shall include the public school's

Capital letters indicate new material added to existing statutes; dashes through words indicate deletions from existing statutes and such material not part of act.

OVERALL ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE RATING.

- (2) (a) (I) TERMS AND DATA ELEMENTS USED IN THE SCHOOL ACCOUNTABILITY REPORTS SHALL BE AS DEFINED IN THE CHART OF ACCOUNTS AND PERSONNEL CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM DEVELOPED PURSUANT TO SECTION 22-44-105 (4) (a).
- (II) On or before September 1, 2007, and September 1 each year thereafter, the department shall define any continuing and additional data elements included on the school accountability reports and the information that shall be collected and reported to ensure the existence, accuracy, and relevancy of the data elements reported on the school accountability reports developed pursuant to this section.
- (b) Each public school and school district, and the state charter school institute, shall report accurately any data required to produce a school accountability report for each public school, using whenever possible the state data reporting system described in section 22-7-603. The state board shall seek to minimize and eliminate the duplication of data reporting required under this section and data reporting required by other state or federal statutes or rules so that school districts, institute charter schools, and the state charter school institute may satisfy multiple reporting requirements within a single reporting framework. The state board in particular shall note the data collection and reporting already required and conducted by the department, public schools, and school districts in sections 22-2-112, 22-7-105, 22-11-104, 22-11-201, 22-30.5-110, 22-32-109, 22-32-110, 22-33-105, 22-44-105, 22-44-111, and 22-54-112.
- (c) EACH PUBLIC SCHOOL AND SCHOOL DISTRICT, AND THE CHARTER SCHOOL INSTITUTE, SHALL MEET DATA SUBMISSION TIMETABLES ADOPTED BY RULE OF THE STATE BOARD IN ORDER TO COMPLY WITH THE SCHEDULE REQUIRED BY THIS SECTION TO PRODUCE THE SCHOOL ACCOUNTABILITY REPORTS. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL PROVIDE ADEQUATE NOTICE AND SUPPORT TO ASSIST SCHOOL DISTRICTS IN SATISFYING THE DATA SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION. IF, AFTER A REASONABLE PERIOD OF TIME, THE DEPARTMENT DETERMINES THAT A PUBLIC SCHOOL OR A SCHOOL DISTRICT HAS FAILED TO COMPLY FULLY AND ACCURATELY WITH THE DATA REPORTING AND COLLECTION REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION, THE STATE BOARD SHALL RESCIND THE ACCREDITATION OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 11 OF THIS TITLE.
- (d) If the state board determines that a school district or one or more of the public schools of a school district is in willful noncompliance with the provisions of this section, the state's share of the school district's total program, as determined by article 54 of this title, shall be subject to forfeiture until the school district and each public school of the district complies with the provisions of this section.
- (3) PRIOR TO PUBLICATION OF THE SCHOOL ACCOUNTABILITY REPORTS, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL:
 - (a) ALLOW EACH SCHOOL DISTRICT A REASONABLE PERIOD OF TIME TO REVIEW

THE SCHOOL DISTRICT'S INFORMATION AS IT WILL APPEAR ON THE SCHOOL ACCOUNTABILITY REPORTS FOR SCHOOLS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT; AND

- (b) CORRECT ANY ERRORS OR MISINFORMATION IDENTIFIED BY THE SCHOOL DISTRICT.
- (4) (a) THE SCHOOL ACCOUNTABILITY REPORT PRODUCED FOR EACH PUBLIC SCHOOL PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION MAY CONTAIN INTERNET LINKS WHERE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION NOT PROVIDED IN DETAIL IN THE REPORT MAY BE ACCESSED. THE STATE BOARD MAY MAKE CHANGES IN THE FORMAT OR THE CONTENTS OF THE ACCOUNTABILITY REPORTS PREPARED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION.
- (b) EACH YEAR EACH SCHOOL ACCOUNTABILITY REPORT SHALL BE IN THE SAME FORMAT FOR EACH SCHOOL LEVEL AND SHALL CONTAIN, AT A MINIMUM, THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS:
- (I) "SAFETY AND SCHOOL ENVIRONMENT", AS DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (6) OF THIS SECTION;
- (II) "STUDENT PERFORMANCE", AS DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (8) OF THIS SECTION; AND
 - (III) "ABOUT OUR STAFF", AS DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (7) OF THIS SECTION.
- (5) **Summary information.** (a) THE INFORMATION DESCRIBED IN PARAGRAPHS (b), (c), AND (e) OF THIS SUBSECTION (5) SHALL APPEAR NEAR THE FRONT OF THE SCHOOL ACCOUNTABILITY REPORT.
- (b) **Title.** The school accountability report shall include in large font the name of the public school, the type of school program, and the school year on which the information in the accountability report is based. The report shall also include the school's physical address and telephone number and, if one exists, the website of either the school district or the public school.
- (c) **Ratings.** (I) The school accountability report shall contain the ratings calculated pursuant to section 22-7-604 for the public school; except that, if another status or growth rating is developed pursuant to section 22-7-604.3, the accountability report shall contain the other status or growth rating instead of the rating developed pursuant to section 22-7-604.
- (II) For the 2003-04 school year and for each school year thereafter, if the public school qualifies for an award pursuant to part 3 of article 11 of this title, an acknowledgment of the award may appear on the accountability report.
- (d) **Comparison.** The school accountability report shall contain a list of the ten schools, of the same school level as the subject public school, that are closest geographically to the subject public school and that

RECEIVED AN ACCOUNTABILITY REPORT PURSUANT TO THIS PART 6; EXCEPT THAT A SCHOOL SHALL NOT BE LISTED IF IT IS LOCATED MORE THAN SEVENTY-FIVE MILES FROM THE SUBJECT PUBLIC SCHOOL. INCLUDED WITH THE NAME OF EACH SCHOOL SHALL BE THE OVERALL ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE AND GROWTH RATINGS CALCULATED PURSUANT TO SECTION 22-7-604 OR OTHER STATUS OR GROWTH RATING DEVELOPED PURSUANT TO SECTION 22-7-604.3 FOR EACH SCHOOL AND THE TYPE OF SCHOOL PROGRAM. IF ANY OF THE TEN SCHOOLS USED FOR COMPARISON PURSUANT TO THIS PARAGRAPH (d) ARE FROM A DIFFERENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, THAT INFORMATION SHALL BE NOTED AND THE SCHOOL DISTRICT IDENTIFIED. THE REPORT SHALL CONTAIN ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR AN INTERNET LINK WHERE MORE INFORMATION REGARDING SCHOOL COMPARISONS CAN BE FOUND.

- (e) Adequate yearly progress. The school accountability report shall contain information regarding whether federally identified groups of students are making adequate yearly progress based upon federal benchmarks used to ensure that all students know and are able to complete grade-level work in reading and math based upon determinations made by the department pursuant to the federally approved state plan adopted pursuant to the "No Child Left Behind Act of 2001", Pub.L. 107-110. The accountability report shall display information regarding the definition of average yearly progress targets, number of targets a school has met, and percentage of targets met. The department may add additional internet links that provide more information concerning the federal benchmarks and requirements.
- (6) **Safety and school environment.** The school accountability report shall contain the following:
- (a) **Student conduct.** (I) Information on the number of each of the following types of incidents and percentage of the type of incident in relation to the total number of incidents:
 - (A) SUBSTANCE ABUSE -- DRUGS;
 - (B) SUBSTANCE ABUSE -- ALCOHOL;
 - (C) SUBSTANCE ABUSE -- TOBACCO;
 - (D) FELONY ASSAULTS;
 - (E) FIGHTS;
 - (F) Possession of Dangerous Weapons; and
 - (G) OTHER VIOLATIONS OF CODE OF CONDUCT.
- (II) THE INFORMATION OUTLINED IN THIS PARAGRAPH (a) SHALL BE COLLECTED AND REPORTED PURSUANT TO RULES PROMULGATED BY THE STATE BOARD.
- (b) Student attendance and time spent in classroom. (I) FOR SCHOOL ACCOUNTABILITY REPORTS FOR MIDDLE, JUNIOR HIGH, AND HIGH SCHOOLS,

INFORMATION ON:

- (A) ENROLLMENT;
- (B) AVERAGE DAILY ATTENDANCE; AND
- (C) STUDENT DROPOUTS, AS CALCULATED PURSUANT TO RULE OF THE STATE BOARD.
- (II) FOR ACCOUNTABILITY REPORTS FOR HIGH SCHOOLS, INFORMATION ON GRADUATION RATES, AS CALCULATED PURSUANT TO RULE OF THE STATE BOARD.
- (III) FOR ACCOUNTABILITY REPORTS FOR ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS, INFORMATION ON:
 - (A) ENROLLMENT;
- (B) Average daily attendance, as calculated pursuant to rule of the state board; and
- (C) THE AVAILABILITY OF A PRESCHOOL PROGRAM, FULL-DAY KINDERGARTEN PROGRAM, AND BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE PROGRAMS AT THE SCHOOL.
 - (c) Student information over time. (I) INFORMATION ON:
 - (A) STUDENT ENROLLMENT STABILITY; AND
 - (B) STUDENTS ELIGIBLE FOR FREE OR REDUCED-COST LUNCH.
- (II) AS USED IN SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH (c), "STUDENT ENROLLMENT STABILITY" MEANS THE PERCENTAGE OF THE STUDENTS ENROLLED IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOL ON OCTOBER 1 OF ANY ACADEMIC YEAR WHO ARE STILL ENROLLED IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOL ON FEBRUARY 1 OF THE SAME ACADEMIC YEAR.
- (d) **Ratings description.** A DESCRIPTION OF THE METHOD BY WHICH RATINGS ARE ASSIGNED, INCLUDING AN EXPLANATION OF ANY RATING SUCH AS EXCELLENT, HIGH, AVERAGE, LOW, OR UNSATISFACTORY, USING LANGUAGE THAT IS EASILY UNDERSTOOD BY PARENTS.
- (7) **Staff information.** The school accountability report shall contain the following:
- (a) **Staff employed.** (I) Information on the number of persons employed at the school who are:
 - (A) CLASSROOM TEACHERS;
 - (B) PARAPROFESSIONALS;
 - (C) ADMINISTRATORS;

- (D) OTHER PROFESSIONALS;
- (E) SCHOOL SUPPORT;
- (F) SCHOOL COUNSELORS; OR
- (G) SCHOOL LIBRARIANS.
- (II) AN EXPLANATION OF THE JOB DESCRIPTIONS OF THE PERSONS DESCRIBED IN SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH (a).
- (b) **Students-per-teacher ratio.** (I) FOR ACCOUNTABILITY REPORTS FOR MIDDLE, JUNIOR HIGH, AND HIGH SCHOOLS, INFORMATION ON THE STUDENTS-PER-CORE-SUBJECT-TEACHER RATIO FOR FIRST PRIORITY MODEL CONTENT STANDARDS AS DESCRIBED IN SECTION 22-7-407 (1).
- (II) FOR ACCOUNTABILITY REPORTS FOR ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS, INFORMATION ON THE STUDENTS-PER-CLASSROOM-TEACHER RATIO BY GRADE LEVEL.
- (c) **Professional experience of teachers.** (I) FOR ACCOUNTABILITY REPORTS FOR HIGH SCHOOLS, MIDDLE SCHOOLS, AND JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOLS, INFORMATION ON:
- (A) THE AVERAGE NUMBER OF YEARS OF TEACHING EXPERIENCE AMONG THE TEACHERS;
- (B) THE PERCENTAGE OF TEACHERS TEACHING THE SUBJECT IN WHICH THEY RECEIVED THEIR DEGREES;
 - (C) THE NUMBER OF TEACHERS WITH MASTER'S OR DOCTORAL DEGREES;
- (D) Teachers with three years or more of teaching experience. For purposes of this sub-subparagraph (D), the data used shall describe teachers who have obtained nonprobationary status pursuant to the provisions of part 2 of article 63 of this title.
- (E) TEACHERS WITH FEWER THAN THREE YEARS OF TEACHING EXPERIENCE. FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SUB-SUBPARAGRAPH (E), THE DATA USED SHALL REFLECT TEACHERS WHO HAVE NOT OBTAINED NONPROBATIONARY STATUS PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF PART 2 OF ARTICLE 63 OF THIS TITLE; AND
 - (F) THE NUMBER OF PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAYS;
- (II) FOR ACCOUNTABILITY REPORTS FOR ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS, INFORMATION ON:
- (A) THE AVERAGE NUMBER OF YEARS OF TEACHING EXPERIENCE AMONG THE TEACHERS;
 - (B) THE NUMBER OF TEACHERS WITH MASTER'S OR DOCTORAL DEGREES;

- (C) TEACHERS WITH THREE YEARS OR MORE OF TEACHING EXPERIENCE. FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SUB-SUBPARAGRAPH (C), THE DATA USED SHALL DESCRIBE TEACHERS WHO HAVE OBTAINED NONPROBATIONARY STATUS PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF PART 2 OF ARTICLE 63 OF THIS TITLE.
- (D) TEACHERS WITH FEWER THAN THREE YEARS OF TEACHING EXPERIENCE. FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SUB-SUBPARAGRAPH (D), THE DATA USED SHALL REFLECT TEACHERS WHO HAVE NOT OBTAINED NONPROBATIONARY STATUS PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF PART 2 OF ARTICLE 63 OF THIS TITLE; AND
 - (E) THE NUMBER OF PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAYS;
- (d) **Salaries.** Information on the average yearly salary of teachers and administrators for the public school and the school district.
- (8) **Student performance.** The school accountability report shall contain the following:
- (a) Comparisons of CSAP performance by the public school, the school district, and the state for at least three years;
- (b) Information on achievement differences between groups of students within and across grade levels at the public school, such as differences in proficiencies broken down by gender, race, ethnicity, or socio-economic status; and
- (c) Information on the percentages of students not tested or scores not included for each category not tested or not included.
- (9) **Non-CSAP course offerings.** (a) The school accountability report shall contain information on and, to the extent possible, may contain internet links to descriptions of course offerings for the following courses and programs that are not tested through CSAPs, if the public school or school district has a website containing this information:
 - (I) ART;
 - (II) DRAMA OR THEATER;
 - (III) MUSIC;
 - (IV) PHYSICAL EDUCATION;
 - (V) CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION;
 - (VI) OPPORTUNITIES FOR CIVIC OR COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT;
 - (VII) INTERNET SAFETY PROGRAMS;
- (VIII) FOR HIGH SCHOOLS, ADVANCED PLACEMENT, INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE, OR HONORS COURSES; AND FOR ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS,

INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE OR MONTESSORI CURRICULUMS;

- (IX) EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES; AND
- (X) ATHLETICS.
- (b) The department, in consultation with school districts, shall adopt definitions and guidelines for reporting information and providing internet links of public schools or school districts, if available, to provide additional detail on the information reported pursuant to paragraph (a) of this subsection (9).
- (10) **Taxpayers' report.** The school accountability report shall contain the following:
- (a) Information on total school district revenue and the percentage of the revenue received from state and local tax contributions;
- (b) The total district revenue per pupil, calculated as: Total [budget year] district revenue per pupil = \$[amount of total school district revenue listed in chart divided by total district pupil enrollment for that budget year];
- (c) THE DISTRICT PER PUPIL OPERATING REVENUE AND STATE AVERAGE PER PUPIL OPERATING REVENUE;
 - (d) Sources of school district revenue, including but not limited to:
 - (I) LOCAL TAX CONTRIBUTIONS;
 - (II) STATE TAX CONTRIBUTIONS;
 - (III) FEDERAL GRANTS;
 - (IV) STATE GRANTS;
 - (V) PRIVATE AND PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP GRANTS; AND
 - (VI) OTHER DISCRETIONARY INCOME.
- (e) Information on the school district's use of funds for the following items, as described in the chart of accounts, as well as the school district's total audited expenditures:
 - (I) INSTRUCTION AND INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPORT;
 - (II) ADMINISTRATION;
 - (III) BUILDING AND FACILITY MAINTENANCE;
 - (IV) OPERATIONAL EXPENSES;

- (V) CAPITAL EXPENDITURES;
- (VI) DEBT SERVICE; AND
- (VII) OTHER EXPENDITURES SUCH AS FOOD SERVICES AND COMMUNITY SERVICES.
- (f) Information on district debt and facility construction, including:
- (I) THE TOTAL OUTSTANDING BONDED DEBT;
- (II) THE AVERAGE ANNUAL PERCENTAGE INTEREST RATE ON THE DISTRICT'S DEBT;
- (III) THE AMOUNT RAISED FROM THE DISTRICT'S MOST RECENT BOND ISSUE; AND
- (IV) THE AMOUNT SPENT ON NEW SCHOOL BUILDINGS DURING THE LAST TWO YEARS.
- (g) Information on recent elections dealing with section 20 of article X of the state constitution, mill levies, or bonding proposals, and an explanation of the measures.
- (11) **School information.** (a) The school accountability report may contain additional information supplied by the public school or the school district concerning the public school including, but not limited to:
 - (I) SOURCES OF SCHOOL PRIDE SUCH AS AWARDS OR HONORS; AND
- (II) SCHOOL ACADEMIC GOALS SUCH AS PLANS AND GOALS FOR IMPROVEMENTS BOTH IN AREAS TESTED THROUGH CSAP and other, non-tested areas.
- (b) The department, in consultation with school districts, shall make recommendations to the state board for requirements and limits for the information included in the accountability report pursuant to this subsection (11).
- (12) The department shall make necessary modifications to the school accountability report to ensure that a public school's accountability report is formatted with the appropriate information for elementary schools, middle schools, junior high schools, and senior high schools. The department shall employ such layout, design, color, and graphical elements necessary for the accountability report to be parent-friendly and easy to read and to enhance rather than detract from the data being reported. The department shall be authorized to reconfigure and rearrange the data presented in the accountability report due to the space limitations of the report. If a public school fails to report data, the department shall clearly note on the school accountability report: "Data not reported to state".
- (13) NOTHING IN THIS SECTION SHALL PROHIBIT A SCHOOL DISTRICT, AT ITS OWN EXPENSE, FROM INCLUDING WITH A SCHOOL ACCOUNTABILITY REPORT ADDITIONAL

INFORMATION CONCERNING THE PERFORMANCE OF A PUBLIC SCHOOL NOT CONTAINED IN THE SCHOOL ACCOUNTABILITY REPORT REQUIRED BY THIS SECTION. THE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AUTHORIZED BY THIS SUBSECTION (13) MAY NOT REFUTE THE RATINGS OR STATEMENTS MADE IN THE SCHOOL ACCOUNTABILITY REPORT.

SECTION 2. 22-7-606, Colorado Revised Statutes, is REPEALED AND REENACTED, WITH AMENDMENTS, to read:

- **22-7-606.** School accountability reports delivery website. (1) (a) The department shall deliver each public school's annual accountability report to the public school by September 15, 2001, by November 15, 2002, by January 15, 2004, and by January 15 each year thereafter. The department shall print and provide to the public school a limited number of printed copies of the accountability reports as determined by the public school and requested of the department.
- (b) On or before January 1, 2001, the department shall enter into a contract for the production of the school accountability reports. The department shall award the contract based upon a competitive bid; except that the provisions of the "Procurement Code", articles 101 to 112 of title 24, C.R.S., shall not apply to this contract.
- (2) THE PUBLIC SCHOOL SHALL NOTIFY THE PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN OF EACH STUDENT ENROLLED IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOL OF THE AVAILABILITY ON THE INTERNET OF ITS ANNUAL ACCOUNTABILITY REPORT. THE PUBLIC SCHOOL SHALL PROVIDE TO THE PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN OF EACH STUDENT ENROLLED IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOL OR, UPON REQUEST, TO A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC A PRINTED COPY OF THE REPORT.
- (3) (a) The department shall develop an internet website, which homepage address shall be "www.state.co.us/schools", specifically to place each public school's accountability report on the internet. The department shall design the website so that users may search for a particular public school's accountability report through a number of sorting functions, including but not limited to school district, county, city, and zip code. If the public school or school district has a website, the website shall also contain links to the public school or school district's website to allow access to more detailed information to assist individuals in learning more about the public school.
- (b) EACH YEAR, UPON COMPLETING THE PREPARATION OF THE SCHOOL ACCOUNTABILITY REPORTS, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL UPDATE THE WEBSITE TO INCLUDE EACH SCHOOL ACCOUNTABILITY REPORT PREPARED BY THE DEPARTMENT AND SHALL MAINTAIN ON THE WEBSITE AN ARCHIVE, ACCESSIBLE BY INTERNET USERS, OF THE THREE PREVIOUS YEARS' SCHOOL ACCOUNTABILITY REPORTS. THE WEBSITE SHALL ALLOW USERS TO EASILY COMPARE SCHOOLS' OVERALL ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE RATINGS AS DETERMINED PURSUANT TO SECTION 22-7-604. SUCH COMPARISON SHALL BE FACILITATED BY SEARCH TOOLS THAT ALLOW A USER, AT A MINIMUM, TO FIND PUBLIC SCHOOLS WITHIN DIFFERENT GEOGRAPHIC RANGES OF ANOTHER PUBLIC SCHOOL AND TO FIND PUBLIC SCHOOLS WITHIN DIFFERENT

GEOGRAPHIC AREAS AND ZIP CODES.

- (c) On or before January 1, 2001, the state board shall contract with a private entity for the design, including the search and sort functions, of the school accountability report website. The department shall award the contract based upon a competitive bid; except that the provisions of the "Procurement Code", articles 101 to 112 of title 24, C.R.S., shall not apply to this contract.
- **SECTION 3. Appropriation.** In addition to any other appropriation, there is hereby appropriated, out of any moneys in the state public school fund created in section 22-54-114, Colorado Revised Statutes, not otherwise appropriated, to the department of education, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2007, the sum of two hundred seventy-five thousand two hundred fifty dollars (\$275,250), or so much thereof as may be necessary, for the implementation of this act. Said amount shall be from moneys recovered from overpayments to school districts or the state charter school institute pursuant to section 22-54-114 (4), Colorado Revised Statutes.
- **SECTION 4. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds, determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.

Approved: May 23, 2007